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MICHAEL CLIMO, ET AL. IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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NEW DIVISIONAL APPLICATION

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FOR:

COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR TREATMENT OF STAPHYLOCOCCAL INFECTION WHILE SUPPRESSING FORMATION OF ANTIBIOTIC-RESISTANT STRAINS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, entry of the following amendments to the abovecaptioned patent application is respectfully requested.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 12-17.

Please amend Claim 1 as indicated below.

1. (Amended) A method of treating a staphylococcal infection in a mammal [in need of same, comprising administering an antimicrobial agent thereto] while suppressing the formation of antibiotic-resistant staphylococci [mutant] strains [resistant to said antimicrobial agent], said method comprising simultaneously administering [an amount of an antistaphylococcal agent whose activity is mediated by cleavage of the glycine-containing crosslinks of peptidoglycans of the cell wall of staphylococci (peptidoglycan active agent)] lysostaphin and [an amount of] another antibiotic effective against [sensitive] staphylococci, wherein said] whose antibiotic activity is mediated by cell-wall activity (cell-wall active